

### Remarks

Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the telephone interview conducted on July 16, 2008. In the telephone interview, Applicants' representatives discussed several of the independent claims. The Examiner also suggested amendment to several of the claims.


In this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 10, 19, 20, 23, 30, 32, 39, 46, and 47 in order to advance prosecution. However, Applicants have not added or canceled any claims. In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all pending claims, namely claims 1-20 and 23-50 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections and objections is requested. Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

Applicants believe that no additional fee is required for the submission of this supplemental amendment. However, in the unlikely event that the Commissioner determines that additional fee, extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time. Moreover, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 50-3804** referencing **APLE.P0005**.

Respectfully submitted,

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